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FOODGRAIN PRODUCTION
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) target fixed for foodgrain production in the country for the year 2001-2002;

(b) whether the Government have identified such foodgrains whose production is less than domestic consumption;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the foodgrain production is less/more than the previous years;

(e) if so, the details thereof and total production of foodgrains in various States each year during the last three years; and

(f) step being taken by the Government to increase the foodgrain production?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD Y.NAIK)

(a) The Planning Commission has fixed the targets for foodgrains production in the country for 2001-2002 at 208.0 million tonnes.

(b)&(c): According to report of Working Group on "Demand and Supply Projections ofAgricultural Commodities and Improvement of Agricultural Statistics" for the formulation of NinthFive Year Plan, the consumption requirement of pulses for 2001-02 (behaviourstic approach) is projected at 16.25 million tonnes. However, the production of pulses during 2001-02 is likely to be less than consumption projection.

(d)&(e): The foodgrains production during 2000-01 is estimated at 196.13 million tonnes which is lower compared to that of 1999-2000. The state-wise details of total foodgrains production during last three years i.e. 1997-98 to 1999-2000 is annexed.

(f): To increase production and develop agriculture in different parts of the country in future, the Government has decided to switch over from the conventional Schematic approach to Macro Management mode for providing assistance to States.The scheme envisages integration of 27 schemes into one scheme for supplementation / complementation of states' efforts through work plans which will give flexibility to states to address the specific problems faced by them, avoid overlapping in the contents of different schemes and aim for all-round development of agriculture.

ANNEXURE

PRODUCTION OF TOTAL FOODGRAINS DURING 1997-98 TO 1999-2000

STATE	PRODUCTION (THOUSAND TONNES)		
	1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000
ANDHRA PRADESH	10822.3	14905.0	13423.9
ASSAM	3577.6	3434.0	4042.6
BIHAR	14093.2	13625.9	14561.1
GUJARAT	5709.7	5566.7	4051.7
HARYANA	11347.7	12123.2	13066.5
HIMACHAL PRADESH	1441.2	1490.7	1341.2
JAMMU & KASHMIR	1420.0	1519.6	1271.1
KARNATAKA	8046.8	9996.6	9933.2
KERALA	797.6	754.5	794.3
MADHYA PRADESH	17361.9	19501.2	21015.6
MAHARASHTRA	9664.0	12752.8	12607.2
ORISSA	6637.8	5793.1	5600.2
PUNJAB	21143.2	22906.9	25197.8

RAJASTHAN	14048.9	12944.5	10700.0
TAMIL NADU	8103.8	9418.7	8857.4
UTTAR PRADESH	41589.2	40417.2	45238.4
WEST BENGAL	14353.2	14367.2	15067.6
OTHERS	2100.6	2089.1	2105.0
ALL INDIA	192258.7	203606.9	208874.8